Statement

PATTERN OF SUBSIDY UNDER IRDP W.E.F. 30TH APRIL, 1993

Category	Percentage ceiling	Monetary Ceiling
Small Farmars	25	Rs.4000/— in normal areas and Rs.5000/— in Drought prone Areas programme and Desert Development programme ereas.
Marginal Farmers/ Agriculture Labourers, Non-. Agriculturel Labourers and Rural Artisans	33.33	Rs.4000/— in normal areas and Rs.5000/— in Drought prone Area programme and Desert Development programme Areas.
OF THESE (a) Scheduled Tribes (b) Scheduled Castes (c) Physically Handicapped	50%	Rs.6000/—

No monetary ceilings are applicable for individual minor irrigation projects under IRDP. For community minor irrigation projects more than 50% of the landholders in the Ayacut should be IRDP small and marginal farmers and they should own not less than 25% of the land. Cost apportionable for group members will be in proportion to their land as a percentage of total land in the Ayacut. Of this cost each IRDP family will get 50% subsidy. No monetary ceilings are applicable on the amount of subsidy in such cases also.

Central Assistance to drought Affected States

113. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have released any aids, under special grants from the Central funds for the States hit by drought;

(b) if so, the States which will be benefited under special drought relief aids;

(c) whether these will be additional aids to states from the Central Government other than every budgetary assistance; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Higher Sale Prices of Agriculture Commodities through NAFED

114. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the existing sale prices of various agricultural commodities e.g. Rice, Pulses, Spices; Dry Fruits; Edible Oil etc. sold through NAFED are higher than that of the Super Bazar and Kendriya Bhandar;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any case of irregularity in the supply, sale and purchase of items through NAFED has come to the notice of Government during the last three years;

(d) if so, the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by Government for the effective functioning of NAFED for the benefit of consumers; and

(e) the criteria adopted by the Super Bazar for purchase of commodities from NAFED indicating on what rates and the details of tenders and mode of payment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) NAFED is primarily engaged in the task of promoting and developing marketing of agricultural produce to protect the interest of